

# **BOARD MINUTES**

## **RANDOLPH COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**Asheboro, North Carolina**

**June 13, 2005**

### **Supervisors Present:**

Craig Frazier, Chairman  
William Alston, V. Chairman  
Richard Canoy, Secretary  
Amy Hughes, Treasurer  
Shaun Hayes, Member

### **Others Present:**

Barton Roberson, DC  
Jenny Parks, Adm. Sec.  
Kelly Whitaker, S&W Engineer  
Jake Hill, Soil Con. Tech.  
Bob Abell, Soil Con. Tech.  
Danielle Thomas, Soil Con.  
Lawrence Graves, Guest Speaker

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 a.m. Alston welcomed everyone to the meeting. Travel vouchers were signed and returned.

Alston introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Lawrence Graves. Mr. Graves discussed alternative gardening/alternative crops for farming. The group was shown a video tape that Mr. Graves had made regarding alternative gardening. Those interested in the topics he discussed are welcome to contact him.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

The May 9, 2005 Minutes were reviewed and corrections were made. Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes of May 9, 2005.

Hughes presented the Treasurer's Report. Hayes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Parks reminded everyone that the 2005-06 Budget Workshop with the County Commissioners will be today in the County Commissioner's Meeting room at 5:30 p.m. Hughes stated that she will be in attendance. Let the minutes show that the SWCD has accepted the County Manager's Budget recommendations. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Roberson gave the NRCS Report as follows:

- All of the EQIP funds appropriated to Randolph County have been administered into contracts.
- HEL is on-going.
- Thomas reported that she is currently conducting FSA compliance reviews.
- Roberson reported that the new ASTCFO, Jacquie Simon will begin her duty on June 20, 2005. She is filling the position vacated by Mike Sugg.

Thomas presented a Conservation Plan for Eric Cheek for 56.8 acres to the board for review and approval. Canoy moved, seconded by Hughes, the board voted unanimously to approve the Conservation Plan for Eric Cheek.

Alston gave the RC&D Report as follows:

- RC&D's Annual Meeting will be held at the Green Park Inn in Blowing Rock, NC on August 2 – 4, 2005. Registration is \$90 and the rooms are \$55. Those interested are encouraged to attend.
- North Carolina will be hosting the National RC&D Meeting. It will be held at the Grove Park Inn in North Carolina in the year 2007. The National Meeting for 2005 will be held in Orlando, Florida.

-The board would like to request a report from the Town of Seagrove on the RC&D Project – ball field in Seagrove.

Whitaker gave the NCACSP Report as follows:

-Whitaker reminded the Board that Spot Checks need to be completed.

-David Cheek, contract #76-03-14-02, needs to be cancelled. The waste storage structure has been installed, but the waterways have not. This contract is in the amount of \$4,489.00.

-Ken Cox, contract #76-03-13-02, needs to be cancelled. The waterways, trough, and the heavy use area have been installed, but the fence has not. This contract is in the amount of \$4,175.00. The fence will be installed in conjunction with stream bank restoration constructed through the EEP.

-Hughes moved, seconded by Alston, the board voted unanimously to approve the supplemental contract #76-06-01-02SU, \$6,501 for Frank Macon.

-The following Request for Payments were presented and signed:

1) Frank Macon, contract #76-03-12-02 amount of \$17,703.

2) Bernard Beck, contract #76-03-06-02 amount of \$1,474

3) David Coble, contract #76-03-08-02 amount of \$5,449

4) Ken Cox, contract #76-03-13-02 amount of \$2,926

5) Wilbert Hancock, contract #76-03-15-16 will need to be signed and submitted to the state before June 30.

-Whitaker gave a brief update on work being done with the NCACSP contracts.

-Whitaker reported that the Strategy Plan was due July 1, 2005 and it is being completed in the office and will be submitted to the Division by July 1.

-It was reported that Whitaker is eligible to be presented to the Soil and Water Commission to become a Technical Specialist. She attended an Interagency Animal Waste Management Training session, which made her eligible for consideration. Also her PE license allows her eligibility as well.

Whitaker gave the Community Conservation Report as follows:

-Whitaker applied for \$150 from the Ecosystem Enhancement Program for attending their workshop.

-Whitaker reported that Progress Reports are due by June 15<sup>th</sup> on the status of the NC Foundation Grants – lagoon closures.

-Whitaker gave a brief report on the Urban Cost Share Program. She is currently identifying schools and subdivisions in the Back Creek Watershed and Sandy Creek Watershed for project consideration.

-Whitaker reported that she attended a county-wide water system meeting with County Manager Frank Willis and several other county officials. Discussion was had regarding how to manage a water system, not operate, but manage the growth, location, etc. More information will follow as it becomes available.

Operational Reviews were discussed. It was decided to have the staff in the RSWCD complete the reviews this year. Parks will let Rocky Durham know this.

Parks shared with the Board a letter she had been forwarded from Roberson regarding office space in Randolph County. The verbiage in the letter, written by a GSA representative, was misrepresentative of the District. Parks shared an email reply to NRCS partners showing concerns in the letter that were misrepresentative. A copy of the letter from GSA and the email response from Parks is attached to these minutes. Currently there is no report or follow-up regarding the seeking of office space in Asheboro.

The following consent items were approved:

-Employee weekly logs

-June & July Calendars

-ENOTES – NACD (5/3/05, 5/10/05, 5/17/05, 5/24/05, 5/31/05)

-Conservation e-Connections

- NC DEA – The Grapevine
- Southern Conservation Tillage Systems Conference Information
- NACD Southeast Regional Meeting Information

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

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**Chairman Signature**

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**Date of Approved Minutes**

The Next Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting will be July 11, 2005 at 7:30 a.m.  
Federal Building, 241 Sunset Avenue  
Asheboro, NC 27203